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About

Christian Hoenig is an internationally recognized specialist in corporate/M&A, private equity/venture capital and insolvency and restructuring with additional expertise in tax. He has extensive experience with major transactions in the life-sciences, energy, steel, railway, automotive, tobacco, financial, real estate, telecommunications, and IT industries. In particular, Christian advises start-ups and venture capital funds active in the biotech and medical devices spaces. During the financial crisis, Christian gained broad experience in restructurings, the acquisition of distressed assets and other insolvency-related matters. Christian is also a co-founder and active shareholder in a now late-stage Austrian biotech company. Prior to joining the firm, Christian worked with other renowned law firms in Vienna and his experience is reflected in several publications. Currently, he is working on a major treatise on Shareholder Agreements. Christian studied law in Vienna (Dr. iur.) and San Diego (LL.M. with honors) and he also holds a degree in economics from the University of Economics and Business Administration, Vienna (Mag. rer. soc. oec.). Christian is admitted to the bar in both Austria and New York.

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Recent work highlights

- Advising Centurion Holdco in connection with their acquisition of the Be Shaping group of companies specialising in computer programming. Advice included due diligence, FDI and merger control in Austria, Czech Republic, Poland, Romania and Ukraine,
- Advising Hendrickson, the US automotive supplier and world-wide leading player in the field of chassis components for heavy-duty engines, on the acquisition of Frauenthal Automotive Torun in Poland, who will join Hendrickson Commercial Vehicle Systems Europe.
- Advising Hapa, a subsidiary of Coesia, in connection with its acquisition of 100% of the share capital of AMACO.
- Advising a global retailer in connection with the sale of certain of its operations in the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Romania. Our services included a complex legal due diligence exercise and assistance with the tender process.
- Advising the largest Chinese producer of SUVs, Great Wall Motor Company (长城汽车), on the creation of an Austrian subsidiary as regards the set-up of a research and development center near Vienna. The subsidiary was founded directly by the Chinese parent company and not via a European affiliate. In close cooperation with the Chinese parent company, Wolf Theiss advised the client in all legal matters regarding this project.
- Advising Austrian entrepreneurs in connection with the development of three wind parks in Carinthia, Austria. The work included setting up the development company, drafting and negotiating a shareholders' agreement, securing the land and obtaining all permits.
- Advising on the sale of shares in Great Wall Motor Austria Research & Development to BRP Holdings (Austria).
- Advising Zytotec, the Austrian biotechnology company, in securing funding from Baxter Ventures, the investment arm of Baxter Healthcare Corp, and other investors.
- Advising Verge HealthTech Fund II, a Singapore investment fund, on the investment in the Austrian company Roots Health GmbH, a provider of lifestyle advice to women through blood glucose monitoring.
- Advising nonprofit organization "DEBRA Austria, Help with Epidermolysis Bullosa" on the drafting and negotiation of a cooperation agreement with the Salzburg Hospital Organization – Landeskliniken Salzburg (SALK).

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